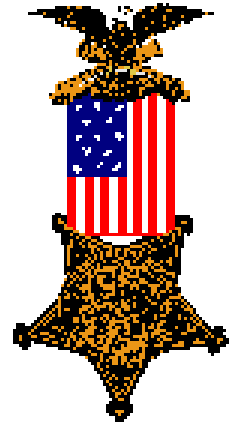




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FLAG DAY

On June 14, 1777, The Continental Congress adopted the **First Flag Act: “Resolved, That the flag of the United States be made of thirteen stripes, alternate red and white; that the union be thirteen stars, white in a blue field, representing a new Constellation.”** On Memorial Day 1916, President Woodrow Wilson, inspired by decades of celebrations, issued a Proclamation establishing Flag Day as June 14. Further, President Harry S. Truman signed an Act of Congress on August 3, 1949 establishing June 14 as National Flag Day. As descendants of those brave men, who so willingly fought and died for “Old Glory”, we, as Sons of Union Veterans, shall also honor and commemorate our National Standard.

It is therefore urged, this 8th Day of June, 2018 that all brothers in Michigan shall, to the best of their ability, display and otherwise honor the Flag of the United States of America on Flag Day, June 14, 2018 and during the week of June 14, known as National Flag Week. This shall be done by flying the Stars and Stripes from our homes and other appropriate places. We should also strive to continually remember all who have given so much that this flag could remain a beacon of freedom to the entire world.

In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,

Robert R Payne
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